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*Re: Notice of Deficiency Comments for the Double Shell Tank Part B Permit  
Application Working Draft Chapter 1.*

Dear Messrs. Rasmussen and French, and Ms. Delozier:

The Washington State Department of Ecology (Ecology) has reviewed the Double Shell Tank Part B Permit Application Working Draft Chapter 1. The areas of deficiency are itemized on the enclosed table. Please provide written response to Ecology's comments within one (1) month of receipt. After Ecology receives the United States Department of Energy (USDOE) responses, comment resolution meetings will be scheduled.

Ecology requests all dates in the Double Shell Tank Part B Permit Application Working Draft Schedule be adjusted two (2) months ahead.

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I look forward to working with your staff on the completion of this permitting effort. If you have any questions or would like to schedule a meeting regarding this letter, please contact me at (509) 736-3003.

Sincerely,



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Enclosure

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